

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES  
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CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371**

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U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)

**10/593948**

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.  
PCT/SG2005/000087

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE  
18 March 2005

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED  
22 March 2004

**TITLE OF INVENTION**

METHOD FOR OBTAINING GRADED PORE STRUCTURE IN SCAFFOLDS FOR TISSUES AND BONE, AND SCAFFOLDS WITH GRADED PORE STRUCTURE FOR TISSUE AND BONE

**APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US**

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

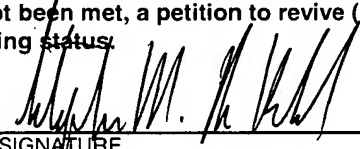
1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☐ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☐ The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))
  - a. ☒ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto.
  - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4)).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).

**Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:**

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment.
14. ☐ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4)).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4)).
20. ☒ Other items or information.

Copy of International Preliminary Examination Report; return receipt postcard.

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The following fees have been submitted				<b>CALCULATIONS    PTO USE ONLY</b>	
21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee (37 CFR 1.492(a)) .....		\$300		\$	300.00
22. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination fee (37 CFR 1.492(c)) If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33 (1)-(4) ....		\$0			
All other situations .....		\$200		\$	200.00
23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search fee (37 CFR 1.492(b)) If the written opinion prepared by ISA/US or the international preliminary examination report prepared by IPEA/US indicates all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33 (1)-(4).....		\$0			
Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority .....		\$100			
International Search Report Prepared by an ISA other than the US and provided to the Office or previously communicated to the US by the IB .....		\$400			
All other situations .....		\$500			
<b>TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 =</b>				\$	1000.00
Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250.00 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof (round up to a whole number)		RATE	
23 - 100 =	-77 / 50 =			x	
Surcharge of \$130.00 for furnishing the oath or declaration later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).				\$	
CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total claims	25 - 20 =	5	x	50	\$ 250.00
Independent claims	2 - 3 =	0	x	200	\$ 0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S) (if applicable)			+	360	\$
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				\$	1250.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees are reduced by 1/2.				\$	1250.00
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>				\$	1250.00
Processing fee of \$130.00 for furnishing the English translation later than 30 months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)). <input type="checkbox"/>				\$	
<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>				\$	1250.00
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property				\$	
Other fee (specify):					
<b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>				\$	1250.00
Amount to be refunded:					\$
charged:					\$
a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check(s) in the amount of \$ <u>1250.00</u> to cover the above fees is enclosed. b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. <u>02-2666</u> in the amount of \$ <u>1250.00</u> to cover the above fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <u>02-2666</u> . A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.					
<b>NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137 (a) or (b) must be filed and granted to restore the application to pending status.</b>					
September 22, 2006 DATE			 SIGNATURE		
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